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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, RO (RAUTA, CONSTANTIN) (REHM, JOHN)
SUBJECT: RAUTA CASE--EMBASSY REPRESENTATION ON REHM VISA

REF: STATE 186093

1. PRIOR TO RECEIPT REFTEL REHM VISITED CONOFF TO ASCERTAIN STATUS OF VISA. CONOFF CALLED ROMANIAN EMBASSY WHO STATED NO AUTHORITY TO ISSUE VISA HAD YET BEEN RECEIVED FROM GOR.
2. SINCE REHM IN POSSESSION REGULAR PASSPORT AND COULD NORMALLY APPLY ON HIS OWN, LOW KEY APPROACH WAS MADE TO ROMANIAN EMBASSY IF REHM COULD APPEAR IN PERSON TO APPLY FOR VISA. THEY ASKED AGAIN FOR HIS NAME AND SPELLING. AT THIS POINT THE ROMANIAN CONOFF SAID IT WOULD SERVE NO PURPOSE TO APPLY IN PERSON WITHOUT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FROM GOR.
3. THIS WAS EXPLAINED TO REHM WHO ACCEPTED THE DECISION AND COMMENTED THAT HE EXPECTED THIS ACTION.
4. REHM STATED MOST DEFINITELY HE WOULD NOT REPEAT

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NOT BE WILLING TO TRAVEL TO ROMANIA WITHOUT A PROPER VISA ISSUED BY PROPER AUTHORITY.

5. CONOFF IN VIENNA ASSURED REHM HE WOULD BE NOTIFIED AT HOTEL BRISTOL IF PERMISSION TO ISSUE VISA RECEIVED DURING MORNING HOURS OF 25 JULY SINCE HE IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART VIENNA AROUND NOON. IF NO VISA FORTHCOMING,

HE WILL CANCEL ROMANIAN FLIGHT AND RETURN TO U.S. ON
WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY. AMEMBASSY VIENNA AT THIS POINT
IN TIME SEES LITTLE HOPE FOR TIMELY ISSUANCE OF VISA
TO REHM TO PERMIT HIS TRAVEL ON 25 JULY. WOLF

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